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**Reply to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment**

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This is Applicants' response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (Notice) mailed February 2, 2006. The Notice indicated Applicants' non-final amendment of November 18, 2005 was non-compliant. Reply is timely if offered within one-month of the February 2, 2006 mailing of the Notice. This response is timely and no extension fee is due.

Applicants respectfully submit herewith the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.